

Freedom International Christian Center

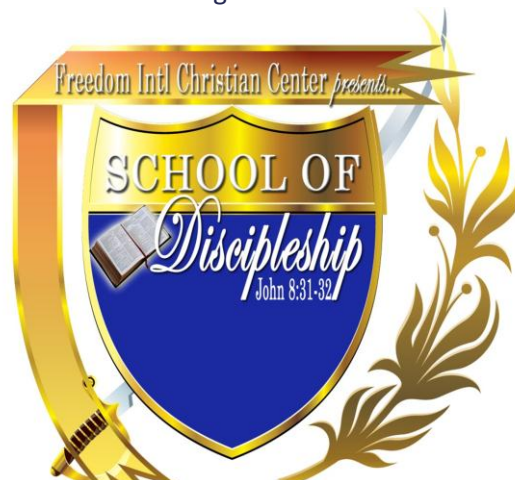
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2011-2012 School of Discipleship Course Catalog

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'From Pew to Purpose'... A Word from Pastor Edward

Saints, it is the desire of Christ, and the desire of YOUR Pastor that the Body of Christ grows in maturity of the Word and be not ignorant of the vices of the

enemy. Ephesians Chapter 4 encourages us that Christ GAVE so that the Body could be PERFECTED AND EDIFIED. The Bible also admonishes us that we should '*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly divide the Word of Truth* (II Timothy 2:15). For this cause, we have designed a biblical curriculum that will take the believer from spiritual infancy to maturity, from milk to meat, from **pew to PURPOSE!**

Throughout Scripture and in the parable of Jesus, God uses earthly pictures to illustrate spiritual truths. Let us examine today's secular educational system. It is designed to mature a child from early childhood to early adulthood...as it should be in Church! Freedom's **School of**

Discipleship and the **School of Leadership and Ministry** have been created to take members from their early stage as a believer to spiritual growth and maturity. Members should be able to decide how far they would like to go. If they only desire to pursue orientation/new members' class to receive membership rights, they should be allowed to do just that. If they decide to go further in their training, that option should also be extended to them.

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| • New Members/Partners-in-Ministry Class (<i>mandatory</i>) | Elementary |
| • Foundations of Faith | Middle |
| • Gifts of the Spirit/Holy Spirit 101 Class | High School |
| • Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School | College |
| • Minister Development Institute (<i>tuition-based</i>) | Graduate School |



Class Times

All Discipleship Classes will be offered on Wednesdays at 7:00PM unless otherwise stated (i.e. MDI program). Each weekly class is only 45minutes of lecture and 15 minutes of Q&A.

Director of Discipleship Welcomes YOU!

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Dear Disciples

We thank God for your purpose that was preordained before the foundation of the earth. Romans 8:29 Teaches us that whom he did foreknow he also did predestinated to be conformed unto the image of Christ. You have been predestined to be in this place at this time to increase your knowledge of him so that your purpose may be fulfilled. As Kingdom citizens,

we have rights and privileges that can only be exercised through Devine revelation of God’s Holy Word.

Therefore we must follow the instruction expressed in John 8:32” and ye shall know the Truth and the Truth will make you free”. The word “makes “according to Webster is defined as to bring into existence by shaping or changing. As you become diligent students of the Word and not just hearers only, we delight with a spirit of expectation for the manifestation of God’s Glory being revealed in each one of you, as being changed into the image and likeness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Yours in the Truth of the Master,

Minister Carrie M. West

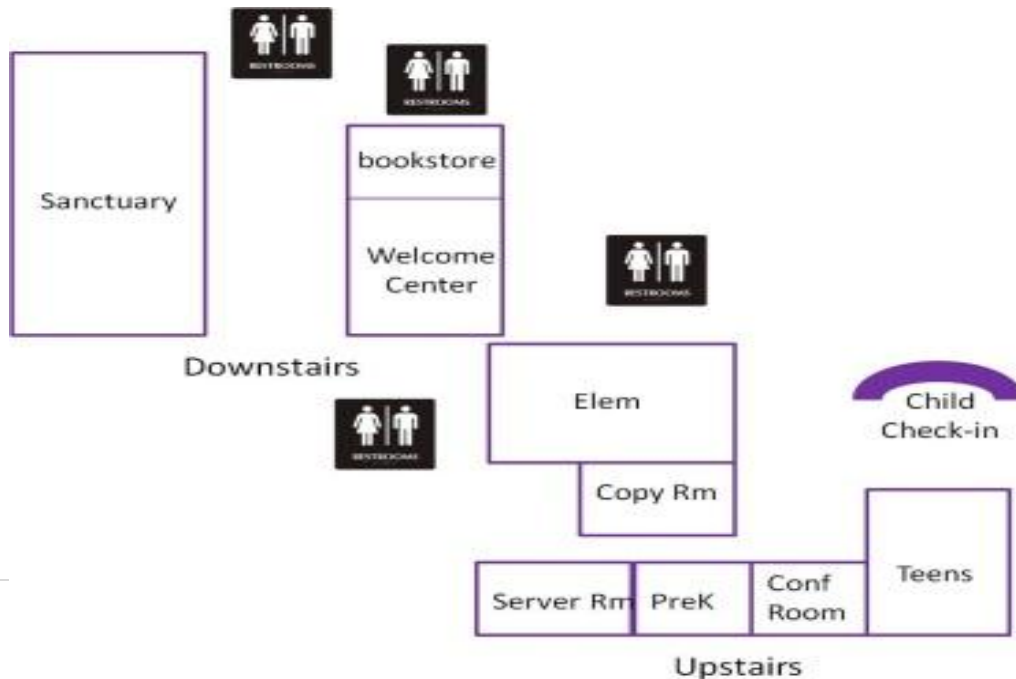
Academic Calendar

2011-2012

TERM 1 August 3 – October 19				
Course Name	<i>New Member /Partners-in-Ministry Class</i>	<i>Foundations of Faith Class</i>	<i>Gifts of the Spirit/Holy Spirit101</i>	<i>Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School</i>
Room Assignment	Conf Room	Sanctuary	Teen Room	Welcome Center
TERM 2 October 26 – January 11				
Course Name	<i>New Member /Partners-in-Ministry Class</i>	<i>Foundations of Faith Class</i>	<i>Gifts of the Spirit/Holy Spirit101</i>	<i>Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School</i>
Room Assignment	Conf Room	Sanctuary	Teen Room	Welcome Center
TERM 3 January 18 – April 4				
Course Name	<i>New Member /Partners-in-Ministry Class</i>	<i>Foundations of Faith Class</i>	<i>Gifts of the Spirit/Holy Spirit101</i>	<i>Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School</i>
Room Assignment	Conf Room	Sanctuary	Teen Room	Welcome Center
TERM 1 April 11 – June 27				
Course Name	<i>New Member /Partners-in-Ministry Class</i>	<i>Foundations of Faith Class</i>	<i>Gifts of the Spirit/Holy Spirit101</i>	<i>Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School</i>
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FIRST CLASS: Wednesday, August 3, 2011
 GRADUATION CEREMONY: Saturday, May 20, 2012
 SUMMER BREAK: July 1- 31, 2012

Campus Map



New Members/Partners-in-Ministry Class

Goal: The purpose of this course is to introduce new members and/or perspective new members to the pastors, leadership, vision/mission and mutual expectations of membership here at Freedom. This course will provide foundational information as to the work of the ministry and ways in which new members can be *encouraged, enlightened, embraced, equipped and empowered*.

We believe that the New Members/Partners-in-Ministry Class is VERY important, as many new members come from different denominations and/or churches. It is CRUCIAL that we are ALL united under one vision - the vision of the church.

Secondly, we believe new members, *if committed* to the vision, should *bear fruit* in the church. There should be tangible, positive results of their new membership. And so we will discuss this in this course.

Thirdly, people need a foundational understanding of the requirements of obedience to their pastor. During this course new members will learn how to receive the spirit of the Pastor and much more!

This course will be divided into **five primary sections/weeks** to include....

1. **Week One**
 - a. How to Become A Christian
 - b. How to Be Sure You Are a Christian
2. **Week Two**
 - a. The Purpose of the Church and Church Membership
 - b. Local Church Commitment
3. **Week Three**
 - a. What We Believe
 - b. Why the Word of God is Priority
 - c. Our Worship Style and Flavor
4. **Week Four**
 - a. Church Government
 - b. Receiving the Spirit of the Pastor
5. **Week Five**
 - a. Tithes and Stewardship
 - b. Servant hood

Materials Needed:

An FICC New Membership Manual will be provided to each participant at the beginning of the first class. Each week, participants will be required to bring the following to class to maximize the learning experience:

1. New Membership Manual
2. Bible
3. Notebook/Portfolio
4. Pen

After Completion of New Members Orientation, each graduate will receive from Pastor Edward a **Member Certificate** and a **special gift** in recognition of their unity with the Body of Christ at Freedom International Christian Center during the **Sunday following their class completion!**

Step 2

Foundations of Faith Class

Goal: The purpose of this class is to allow the student to be disciple on a foundational level that empowers them to apply biblical teaching in their daily walk and to develop a confidence to share the good news of Jesus Christ making them an effective witness. The main textbook for this course is *Walking in Victory* by Norman Robertson. The following is a list of topics found in this book:

1. Salvation and What it Means to Be Born Again
2. How to Grow Spiritually
3. Receiving the Holy Spirit
4. God's Word: Our Foundation for Victory
5. Knowing Who We Are in Christ
6. Understanding Water Baptism and Communion
7. How to Pray and Get Answers
8. Renewing the Mind
9. Living the Life of Faith
10. God's Laws of Giving, Receiving and Prosperity
11. How to Praise and Worship the Lord
12. Taking Your Place in the Local Church



The Foundations of Faith course will also use other textbooks from such authors as Kenneth Hagin and Billy Joe Daughtery. Foundations of Faith was created to start the process of perfecting, maturing or giving members knowledge and understanding in some basic biblical truths that every Christian needs to know.

Materials Needed:

1. Bible
2. Required Workbook/Textbooks (see facilitator)
3. Notebook/Pen

Step 3

Gifts of the Spirit Class/Holy Spirit 101

Goal: The Gifts of the Spirit course was designed is to give the student an in-depth understanding of how the Body of Christ works from a biblical perspective. What are the spiritual gifts and there function. The student should walk away from this class with a clear understanding of their spiritual gifts and how to apply them in their local assembly. The following topics will be covered throughout this course:

- 1.
2. Understanding the Baptism of the Holy Spirit
3. God's Purpose for the Anointing
4. The Purpose and Benefits of Speaking in Tongues



Materials Needed:

1. *The Supernatural Church*, Norman Robertson (pgs 1-44)
2. *Ministering in the Power of the Holy Spirit*, Norman Robertson (pgs 13-60)
3. *The Hidden Power of Speaking in Tongues*, Mahesh Chavda, Destiny Image Publishers
4. Bible
5. Notebook/Pen

Training for Reigning/HELPS Ministry School



Step 4

Goal: This curriculum is designed to train those lay people who want

to serve in a leadership HELPS ministry capacity. HELPS refers to one who gives assistance. HELPS is a ministry with its own supernatural anointing to serve God by serving His pastors and His people.

This course presents an overview of areas of church leadership. It is a preparation class for leadership within and outside of the local church. This course will prepare emerging leaders for various assignments and also prepare ordination candidates for ordination of deacon and/or deaconess, ministers, and elders. **THIS COURSE IS BY INVITATION ONLY!**

God gives the pastor the vision for the church, and he is responsible to bring that vision to fruition. However, he will need help. For this reason, God places people to be ministers of HELPS to the pastor so that the vision can be realized.



Any person serving in any capacity of the church, whether in an auxiliary or in an area of ministry to people, is considered to be in the ministry of HELPS. All members desirous of participating in HELPS Ministry of FICC must have completed New Members class to acquire HELPS ministry status.

Class Times:

This 9 month course will be held for :55 minutes every other Wednesday (see schedule for holidays/breaks). Attendance is mandatory...no student will be allowed more than (3) absences.

Class Format:

Opening Prayer	Student
Word Drill.....	Chapter/Scripture Sheet
Reflection from last class.....	Student
Lesson.....	Instructor
Discussion & Wrap up.....	Fill out reflection sheets
Closing Prayer.....	Instructor or Student

Materials Needed:

1. *God's Armorbearer: Running With Your Pastors Vision*, by Terry Nance, vol. 3
2. *Making of a Leader*, by Frank Damazio, C. Peter Wagner (Foreword), 1990
3. *Prayers That Avail Much*, by Germaine Copeland, vol. 1
4. *Proper Attitudes Toward Leadership*, Robyn Gool, Whitaker House, New Kensington, PA
5. *The Ministry of Helps Handbook*, Buddy Bell, Harrison House, Tulsa, OK
6. *Every Ministry Needs Help*, Robyn Gool, Conquerors Publishers, Charlotte, NC
7. *Discover Your God-Given Gifts*, Don and Katie Fortune, Chosen Books, Grand Rapids, MI
8. Bible
9. Notebook/Pen

Minister Development Institute (MDI) *(tuition –based)*

Goal: Our nine-month ministerial school targets ministers who are already working in part-time or full-time ministry, about to start their own ministries, or are graduates of the LIT program. It provides ministers with the necessary tools to move their ministries forward in the fulfillment of their vision, and fortifies them for a lifetime of successful ministry.

CURRICULUM AT A GLANCE*			
YEAR	FALL TERM	WINTER TERM	SPRING TERM
Minister Development Institute (9month program)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Preparation of a Minister • The Law of Faith • New Creation Realities I & II • Power of Vision I & II • Praise & Worship • Christ the Healer I & II • Sermon Prep I & II • Church Government • Missions I • Leadership I, II & III • Your Family & Your Ministry I & II • Student Presentation I 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining Your Mission & Vision I & II • Missions II • Divine Health • Old Testament Survey I & II • Dynamics of Prayer I, II & III • Church History I & II • Power of Helps Ministry • Demonology & Deliverance • New Testament Survey I & II • Blood Covenant I & II • Student Presentation II • I & II Timothy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Admin. & Operation I & II • Financial Stewardship I & II • Evangelism • Children’s Ministry/Teen Ministry • Signs & Wonders I & II • Pastoral Care I & II • Church Ordinances • How to Administer Funerals • Church Planting I & II • Marketing & Media • Student Presentation III

* Course listing taken from Living Word School of Ministry catalog.

Please see Pastor Edward for application along with class dates/times, tuition costs, faculty, etc.

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A Church with POWER, is Worth the HOUR!

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